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1. WE HAVE CONFIRMED WITH PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH CALLAGHAN FOR 5:00 P.M., MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6. MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT NO. 10 DOWNING STREET. PM'S PRIVATE SECRETARY PATRICK WRIGHT OINED THAT LENGTH OF MEETING WOULD DEPEND UPON HOW LONG PRINCIPALS FELT THEY NEEDED; WRIGHT ESTIMATED BETWEEN ONE AND ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS. HE "GUESSED" UK PARTICIPANTS PROBABLY WOULD INCLUDE FOREIGN SECRETARY CROSLAND, TED ROWLANDS AND TONY DUFF FROM FCO, PLUS NOTETAKER FROM PM'S OFFICE (PROBABLY WRIGHT HIMSELF); BUT WRIGHT STRESSED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS HAD NOT YET BEEN CLEARED WITH PRIME MINISTER.

2. PURSUANT AMBASSADOR ARMSTRONG'S TELECON WITH DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY EAGLEBURGER, WE HAVE INFORMED FCO THAT MINISTER SPIERS WILL ATTEND SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH CROSLAND SEPTEMBER 4 VICE AMBASSADOR. FCO DOES NOT YET HAVE LIST OF UK PARTICIPANTS. WILL ADVISE ASAP. FCO HAS INFORMED US BRITISH DO NOT RPT NOT FORESEE ANY NON-AFRICAN TOPICS ARISING AT SEPTEMBER 4 SESSION. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION THAT THIS IS ALSO US EXPECTATION.

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